MMR_0021 C.M. "Red" Mailander Died Sept 1976. Charles Mailander of Waco, McLennan County, Texas was born on August 24, 1904, and died at age 72 years old in September of 1976. See obit page 2.

Master Model Railroader No. 21

Mr. C. M. Mailander of Waco, Texas has become the NMRA's twenty-first Master Model Railroader. Having Achievement Certificates as a Master Builder - Cars, Master Builder - Structures, Model Railroad Engineer - Civil, Model Railroad Engineer - Electrical, Chief Dispatcher (with 1,300 hours of operating time), Association Official and Association Volunteer, he received his first Certificate in 1963 and has been working towards MMR status since that time.

Mr. Mailander first become interested in model railroading in 1947, operating an American Flyer S gauge model railroad until 1951 when he converted to HO gauge. His present model railroad has been built, or remodeled, four times with numerous additional minor changes. At present, it is of 'dog bone' shape containing five separate loops connected with 46 #8 turnouts, 2 double crossovers, 7 single crossovers, and 2 reversing loops. In addition, there is some signaling, an operating trolley bus, a traction layout with two passing sidings; 6 cab controls with separate power packs and rheostats, along with track switches, provide flexible operation.

With a model railroad pass collection presently numbering about 500, he will trade passes with anyone who is interested.

Presently LSR Historian, he has served one term as Region President, two terms as a member of the LSR Board of Directors and twice as Chairman of region conventions.

He admits to being 63, married, one daughter, two granddaughters, two cats, seven chihuahaus, and approximately 300 parakeets. He's been a resident of Waco for 62 of those years and of Houston one year.

MAILANDER, CHARLES MELVIN

Charles Melvin Mailander, 72, of 2329 North Thirty-ninth died at 8 p.m. Wednesday in a local hospital.

Funeral services: 10 a.m. Saturday at Connally-Compton Downtown Chapel, Rev. C. C. Shultz officiating, burial in Oakwood Cemetery.

Survivors: his wife, Mrs. Mary M. Mailander; one daughter, Mrs. Mara Currie of Houma, La.; two granddaughters, Mrs. Debra Babin and Mrs. Kathryn Guidry, both of Houma, La.; two great-grandchildren.

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